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EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT BOARDING TIME - SURGE STUDY (ITEM NO. 34, **AGENDA OF JUNE 24, 2008)**

On April 22, 2008, your Board instructed the Director of Health Services to work with the Chief Executive Office and Facilities Development Incorporated (FDI) to conduct a study and present findings on May 6, 2008, regarding: 1) how a patient surge of 5 percent, 10 percent, 15 percent, and 20 percent could affect the Emergency Department Boarding Time of the LAC+USC Replacement Facility when the hospital operates at 80 percent, 85 percent, 90 percent, and 95 percent occupancy; and 2) provide an assessment on the regional impact of such surge. As noted on the June 24, 2008 meeting agenda, we have requested a continuance of this report to July 8, 2008.

This is to advise your Board that FDI completed the surge study on June 13, 2008 regarding the impact at LAC+USC and DHS is conducting a review and analysis of this study. The FDI report is scheduled for review with the Health Deputies on Wednesday, July 2, 2008, and a presentation to your Board on July 8, 2008.

Furthermore, FDI is in the process of conducting an assessment of the regional impact component of the study. The timeline target dates are as follows:

- Week of September 15 Review by our office and DHS;
- Week of September 22 Finalization of the regional impact report;
- Week of September 29 Review with Health Deputies; and
- Week of October 6 Presentation to your Board.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Dara Lark of this office at (213) 974-2396 or at dlark@ceo.lacounty.gov.

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